Chinn House Manassas National Battlefield Park Groveton, Prince William County Virginia

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PHOTOGRAPHS WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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THE CHINN HOUSE Stone House, Prince William County, Virginia

Owner: United States Government

Date of Erection: Late eighteenth century

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Unknown

Present Condition: Very poor

Number of Stories: Two and attic

Materials of Construction: Stone foundation, frame superstructure.

Other Existing Records: None

Additional Data: Under preparation

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Chinn House Remains

Owner: National Park Service (U. S. Government)

Date of Erection: Reputedly built in the late 18th century.

The house derives its name from Benjamin
T. Chinn who purchased the property in 1853.

Architect: Unknown

Present Condition: Only the foundation walls and bases of two massive end chimneys remain.

Additional Notes:

The Chinn House was originally one of the Manassas battlefields. In 1861-1862 it was used as a hospital in both battles and was a landmark mentioned many times in reports of the battles. The Chinn House was frame and had a redstone foundation, with paired brick chimneys at either end. This building stood in a ruinous condition for years, was razed to foundation level in 1950 and stabilized to serve as an historic marker. The cellar excavation has been filled-in.

References: Compiled from National Park Service files. A full length historic site report is in preparation by the Park.

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